

**FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
CAPITAL HABEAS UNIT
Columbus, Ohio**

**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
#FPDOHS12-02**

ASSISTANT FEDERAL DEFENDER/CAPITAL HABEAS UNIT ATTORNEY

Open Date: February 2, 2012

Close Date: February 16, 2012

The Federal Public Defender for the Southern District of Ohio is accepting applications for an attorney for our Capital Habeas Unit (CHU) located in Columbus, Ohio.

Requirements. We are seeking an attorney to represent clients in federal habeas proceedings who have been sentenced to death in the state courts of Ohio. Some experience in capital trial, post-conviction, appeal or habeas corpus cases is preferred. Some travel is required.

The successful applicant must: (1) be a talented legal writer with strong research, writing and advocacy skills; (2) be immediately able to undertake both the representation of petitioners in capital habeas proceedings in federal court from the initial petition through appeal and clemency, if needed; (3) be team-oriented and committed to indigent criminal defense; and (4) be a graduate of an accredited law school.

The successful applicant must be a member of, or eligible for immediate admission to, the bars of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court.

Salary and Benefits: This position is full-time with federal salary and benefits. Salary commensurate with experience and comparable to salaries for Assistant U.S. Attorneys with similar experience. Position is subject to mandatory direct deposit participation.

Conditions of Employment: All application information is subject to verification. Appointment to the position is contingent upon a background investigation including an FBI fingerprint check. Employees of the Federal Defender are members of the judicial branch of government; they are considered 'at will' and can be terminated with or without cause.

Application Information: To apply for this position submit a resume, cover letter, writing sample and references to:

Federal Defender Office for the Southern District of Ohio
ATTN: Carol Wright
10 W. Broad St. Suite 1020
Columbus, Ohio 43215

The Federal Defender is an equal opportunity employer.
Women, minorities and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.